dichlorofluorescein) and their attachment to gonucleotides is also described in Fung et al. U.S. Pat. No. 4;855. 225.

The above probes are incubated in approximately 5 molar excess of the target polynucleotide ends as follows: the probes are incubated for 60 minutes at 16° C. with 200 traits of T4 DNA ligase and the anchored target polynucleotide in T4 DNA ligase buffer, after washing, the target polynucleotide is then incubated with 100 units T4 polynucleotide kinase in the manufacturer's. recommended buffer for 30 1 minutes at 37° C., washed, and again incubated for 30 minutes at 16° C. with 200 units of T4 DNA ligase and the anchored target polynucleotide in T4 DNA ligase buffer. Washing is accomplished by successively flowing volumes of wash buffer over the slide, e.g. TE, disclosed in Sambrook 1 et al (cited above). After the cycle of ligationphosphorylation-ligation and a final washing, the attached microparticles are scanned for the presence of fluorescent label, the positions and characteristics of which are recorded by the scanning system. The labeled target polynucleotide. 2 i.e. the ligated complex, is then incubated with 10 units of Fok I in the manufacturer's recommended buffer for 30 minutes at 37° C., followed by washing in TE. As a result the target polynucleotide is shortened by one nucleotide on each strand and is ready for the next cycle of ligation and 2 cleavage. The process is continued until twenty nucleotides are identified.

## APPENDIX I Exemplary computer program for generating minimally cross hybridizing sets

```
Program minxh
c
С
         integer*2 sub1 (6) ,mset1(1000,6) ,mset2(1000,6)
         dimension nbase(6)
c
¢
         write(*,*)'ENTER SUBUNIT LENGTH'
         read(*,100)nsub
100
         format(i1)
         open(1,file='sub4.dat',form='formatted',status='new')
c
         nset=0
         do 7000 m1=1,3
            do 7000 m2=1,3
               do 7000 m3=1,3
                 do 7000 m4=1,3
                   sub1(1)=ml
                   sub1(2)=m2
                   sub1(3)=m3
                                                                         5
                   sub1(4)=m4
c
         ndiff≈3
                Generate set of subunits differing from
                sub1 by at least ndiff nucleotides.
                Save in mset1.
c
С
         do 900 J=1.nsub
900
            msetl(l,j)=subl(j)
         do 1000 k1=1,3
            do 1000 k2=1.3
               do 1000 k3=1.3
                 do 1000 k4=1.3
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## -continued

## APPENDIX I Exemplary computer program for generating

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minimally cross hybridizing sets
5
                     nbase(1)=k1
                     nbase(2)=k2
                     nbase(3)=k3
lΟ
                     nbase(4)=k4
             n=0
             do 1200 j=1,nsub
                if(sub1(j) .eq.1 .and. nbase(j) .ne.1 .or.
                   sub1(j) .eq.2 .and. nbase(j) .ne.2 .or.
        3
                   sub1(j) .eq.3 .and. nbase(j) .ne.3) then
15
                   n=n+1
                   endif
    1200
                   continue
    ¢
    c
             if(n.ge.ndiff) then
<u>:0</u>
   С
   С
   c
                              If number of mismatches
   c
                              is greater than or equal
   С
                              to ndiff then record
                              subunit in matrix mset
!5
               jj=jj+1
                do 1100 i=1,nsub
    1100
                  mset1(jj,i)=nbase(i)
   c
0
    1000
             continue
   ¢
               do 1325 j2=1,nsub
               mset2(1,j2)=mset1(1,j2)
   1325
               mset2(2,j2)=mset1(2,j2)
.5
   c
   С
                              Compare subunit 2 from
   С
                              mset1 with each successive
   С
                              subunit in mset1, i.e. 3,
                              4,5, . . . etc. Save those
                              with mismatches .ge. ndiff
                              in matrix mset2 starting at
                              position 2.
                                Next transfer contents
                              of mset2 into mset1 and
                              start
                              comparisons again this time
                              starting with subunit 3.
                              Continue until all subunits
                              undergo the comparisons.
0
             mpass=0
   c
   1700
             continue
             kk=npass+2
             npass=npass+1
5 <sup>c</sup>
             do 1500 m=npass+2,jj
                n=0
                do 1600 j=1.nsub
                  if(mset1(npass+1,j) .eq.1.and.mset1(m,j) .ne.1.or.
                     mset1(npass+1,j) .eq.2.and.mset1(m,j) .ne.2.or.
0
        2
                     mset1(npass+1,j).eq.3.and.mset1(m,j).ne.3) then
                     endif
   1600
                     continue
                  if(n.ge.ndiff) then
                       kk=kk+1
                       do 1625 i=1,nsub
   1625
                         nset2(kk,i)=mset1(m,i)
```





